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AMENDMENT "B"

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are made in response to the second Office Action mailed June 19, 2002. **Since October 19, 2002 falls on a Saturday, the deadline for responding to the Office Action within the first month extension falls on Monday, October 21, 2002.** Reexamination and reconsideration of the application in light of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.

In the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph at line 13 of page 9 (at the end of the section entitled "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS"):

01 -- FIG. 10 is a schematic diagram of a laser device A according to the present invention with its optical output coupled to a conventional optical fiber, showing return light to the laser device. --